

**A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EDITING COLUMN ORIENTED PROGRAMMING
LANGUAGE STATEMENTS**

ABSTRACT

5 For a program statement editor, a method for editing column
oriented programming language statements presented to a user on
a display screen, comprising: providing a template description
defining one or more statement types; and, providing a graphical
10 user interface ("GUI") for editing the statements individually,
the GUI having one or more editable fields corresponding to a
statement type of an individual statement defined by the
template description, the GUI adapted to receive content for one
or more of the editable fields from the user to define the
15 individual statement.